

IRELAND SHOWS BIG INCREASE IN POPULATION

Registrar-General's Report
Gives Interesting
Statistics.

Dublin, Ireland, Aug. 18.—The report of the Registrar-General of Ireland for 1914 shows that Ireland's decline in population has been arrested and also her prosperity increased. The number of marriages is a criterion. Last year shows a population of 4,581,898 against 4,379,012 the previous year, with the lowest emigration rate since 1851. Marriages gained 33 per cent. over 1913. Improvement is shown in the matter of illiteracy, which is rapidly dying. The figures of husbands and wives who signed the register instead of making their mark give 94.6 for husbands and 95.4 for wives.

"As regards illegitimacy, Ireland compares favorably with most countries," says the report. There were only 3 per cent. of illegitimate births in the whole country. Ulster showing the highest rate of any country at 4 per cent. and Connaught the lowest at 1.7. The general birth rate shows a slight increase.

A drop of 3 per cent. in the death rate is also noted, "old age" heading the list of causes with tuberculosis as second. Last year's death rate was 16.3 the thousand.

RUSSIAN PEASANTS HUNGER FOR NEWS OF THE CONFLICT

Every Train at Flag Station
Is Besieged by Curious
Country Folks.

Petrograd, Aug. 18.—"So intense is the interest in the war among the Russian peasants," says a writer in the *Novaya Vremya*, "that every train stopping at a wayside station is besieged by peasants of both sexes and all ages stretching their hands to the passengers and crying 'Give us a paper.'"

"Before the war the Russian peasant looked upon a newspaper as a luxury for rolling up a cigarette. Now he reads it from beginning to end. Every bit of an old newspaper is received as a crust of bread by a starving peasant."

"This prompts the writer to urge the establishment of a great 'People's Newspaper' to be run by the state, not only as a newspaper for the masses but also as a means of popular education."

"Russia," he says, "has never developed systematically. All her progress has been sudden and by huge strides. Peter the Great started reforming his nobles by trimming their patriarchal beards, but by shaving them off all at once."

"The Russian people stopped drinking not gradually as a result of a systematic temperance movement, but as a result of a drastic Government measure. Why should it not be so with the newspaper for the people, circulated by the million, educate our people in the shortest time, instead of a slow process of elementary school education?"

**Propose Universal
Suffrage for Blacks
of Danish W. Indies**

Copenhagen, Aug. 18.—Proposals have recently been made looking to the granting of universal suffrage to the negro population of the Danish West Indies, but the Danish Minister of Finance, Dr. Edvard Brandes, is one of the leaders of the movement for opening the electoral privilege to the negro.

**DEATHS THWART FRENCH
MARRIAGES BY PROXY**

Paris, Aug. 18.—Since the new law of April of this year authorizing military marriages by proxy came into force, over 700 such marriages have been performed.

The law provided that two months must elapse between the application for authorization and the performance of the ceremony. One result of this delay is that in several cases the bridegroom has been killed on the battlefield by the time the proxy marriage took place.

**GIVES NINE SONS TO
SERVICE OF KAISER.**

Berlin, Aug. 18.—The colonel of a regiment stationed in the West issues an appeal for assistance to a mother who had suffered terribly through the war. Her nine sons and a son-in-law went to the front. Five of the sons are dead, and three of them and the son-in-law are severely wounded.

N. Y. Wholesale Prices.
BUTTER.—Creamery, extras, 25¢ @ 26¢; dairy finest 25¢; good to prime, 23¢ @ 25¢.
EGGS.—Fresh gathered, extras, per dozen, 25¢ @ 26¢; henneries, whites, fine to fancy, \$3 @ 35¢; henneries, browns, 26¢ @ 30¢; gathered brown and mixed colors, 20¢ @ 25¢; Duck eggs, 24¢ @ 26¢.
OLD HAY, large baled, timothy, No. 1, per ton, \$20.50 @ \$21.50; No. 2 to No. 3, \$17 @ \$19.50; shipping \$25.50 @ \$26; RYE STRAW, old, No. 1, \$14.50 @ \$15; small bales about same as large.

The German Reichstag convenes to-day.

CELESTY PLANTS
15c Per dozen
JOHN RECK & SON



BRIDGEPORT
Aston Motor Car Co.
Auto Repair Co.
Auto Service Co.
Black Rock Auto Station
Blue Ribbon Garage, Inc.
Chase Garage
City Garage
A. L. Clark & Co., Inc.
Consolidated Motor Co.
Courtland Garage
Elm Auto Co.
Fairfield Auto Co.
Ford's Garage
E. M. Jennings' Garage
Laurel Garage, Park Ave.
J. M. Lund
Lyford Brothers
O'Connell's Garage
Peck & Lines
Peerless Garage
Pembroke Garage
Robert Roth
Scolz Garage
Walter Mann

FAIRFIELD
James Brown | Randall Pharmacy

SOUTHPORT
Banks' Garage
Bulkley Auto Station
W. H. Jennings
Vol Holtz & Sierap

STRATFORD
F. Bolster

DEVON
Devon Public Market

LAUREL BEACH
F. J. Bone

INTERNATIONAL EGG LAYING CONTEST

Connecticut hens now enjoy undisputed lead in the laying contest at Storrs. F. M. Peaseley's Leghorns from Cheshire that were tied last week with Barron's birds from England are now at the top by a margin of two eggs. This is the first time since Windswep Farm's Leghorns lost the lead in the fifth week of the contest.

The total yield for all pens was 3,225 eggs or 146 better than for the preceding week. Barron's English Wyandottes were as easy first yield a yield of 51 eggs. The Storrs Station's sour milk pen of Leghorns were second with a production of 55, while two New York pens, namely: Rhode Island Reds owned by Charles O. Polhemus of Newburgh and Haplich & Danvers, White Leghorns from North Branch tied for third place with 54 eggs each.

Hen 281 from St. Albans, Vt., is the first and only individual thus far that has produced more than 200 eggs, 208 to be exact. One of the Rural New Yorker's Favorite Hens, No. 993, that is owned by Mrs. R. W. Stevens, Stillwater, N. Y., has a record of 193 eggs and an English Wyandotte No. 142 and one of the Storrs Station's Leghorns No. 534 have laid 197 eggs each. The Rhode Island Reds record of 203 above six eggs ahead of the best individual record for the corresponding date last year.

The 10 leading pens to date are as follows:
F. M. Peaseley, Cheshire, Conn., White Leghorns 1627
Tom Barron, Catfirth, near Preston, England, White Leghorns 1625
Tom Barron, Catfirth, England, White Wyandottes 1623
Ed. Cam, Houghton, near Preston, England, White Wyandottes 1610
Windswep Farm, Redding, Ridge, Conn., White Leghorns 1606
Hillview Poultry Farm, St. Albans, Vt., Rhode Island Reds 1601
A. P. Robinson, Calverton, N. Y., White Leghorns 1582
Branford Farm, Groton, Conn., White Leghorns 1506
N. W. Hendry, New Haven, White Leghorns 1499
J. Collison, Barnstable, Garstang, England, Black Leghorns 1482

FAIRFIELD COUNTY NEWS

New Rifle Concern.
The Atlas Arms Corporation of Greenwich has filed a certificate of incorporation in the secretary of the state's office. It will manufacture and deal in military rifles and will have a capital of \$25,000, but will begin business with \$10,000 paid in. The incorporators are Ralph B. White of New York, James A. Anderson of New York and William J. Demarest of Newark, N. J.

Election in Stamford.
George R. Close, republican, was on Tuesday elected town clerk of Stamford over Edward Ryan, democrat, at a special election. Last winter Town Clerk Waterbury died and on his death Mr. Ryan was appointed to the office. It was contended at the time that an election must be held to fill the office and that the method pursued was illegal. The case was taken to the supreme court which decided that a special election must be held.

New Chemical Co.
The Middlesex Chemical Company of Stamford has filed a certificate of incorporation. It will buy and manufacture chemicals and implements of

all kinds used in the chemical trade, and will have an authorized capital stock of \$1,000,000 divided into 10,000 shares of \$100 each. It will start business with \$1,000. The incorporators are W. Russell Root of Brooklyn, Charles A. Lohe of Brooklyn and Francis J. Byrne of Richmond Hill, N. Y.

Fire in Greenwich.
A house owned by Antonio Boriello, a butcher in Greenwich was partially burned, Monday night, entailing a loss of about \$1,000. It is understood that the owner had the building insured. The fire is believed to have been caused by fireworks in East Port Chester, where the feast of St. Rocco was being celebrated. Most of the Italian and their families who occupied apartments in the house were attending the celebration, and consequently many of them suffered heavy losses.

Speeder Heavily Fined.
Nick Santanillo of Georgetown, who was chased in Norwalk Sunday afternoon by Motorcycle Officer Murray while his automobile was making 55 miles an hour, was fined \$25 and costs for speeding, \$10 for not having his car registration with him and \$10 more for not having a driver's license with him, making a total of \$65.01 for the three violations. He will likely lose his operator's license as the result of the trouble, notice of the arrest and conviction having been forwarded to Secretary of State Burnes.

LITCHFIELD COUNTY NEWS.

Appointed Postmaster.
President Wilson has announced the appointment of Egbert F. Moorehouse to be postmaster at Kent.

Damages by Storm.
A heavy thunder shower struck New Milford recently and as it was accompanied by some hail, more or less damage was done. A strip of land across the 18-acre tract of tobacco belonging to Verton Staub on Port Hill and peppered many plants without improving them materially, and adjoining tobacco fields were untouched. Similar hail strips were reported in other sections of the town, but the brunt of the storm seemed to have struck on Second Hill and across into Bridgewater and Roxbury. Tobacco was badly damaged, and lightning killed three cows belonging to John A. Anderson. Rob Ferris the mail driver was thrown from his wagon and his horse stunned by one bolt that struck in the road where he was driving, without either he or his horse suffering any serious injury.

\$50,000 for Hospital.
The trustees of the permanent funds of the Litchfield County Hospital have received from Edward P. Wilcox, who is acting as executor of the estate of Mary H. Wilcox, securities in excess of \$50,000, in value, representing Mrs. Wilcox's legacy to the institution, and creating the Elizabeth and Julia Rockwell fund.

JAPAN BARS GERMAN TRADE.
Tokio, Aug. 19.—Japan has requested her various steamship companies to discontinue handling German and Austrian goods to and from China or along the Chinese coast. Great Britain has been anxious to have Japan's support in a move to cease all trading with the Germans and Austrians in China. At first Japan resisted against the project but has now fallen in with the plan.

CELESTY PLANTS
15c Per dozen
JOHN RECK & SON

Gasologue No. 6

"You've got a horse, too, haven't you?"
"Yes."

"Do you feed him oats one day, and wire nails the next?"

"Of course not. My horse gets a balanced ration of corn, oats and hay — a steady diet day in and day out."

"He's lucky."

"What do you mean?"

"Your car doesn't get anything like as good treatment. A horse's stomach isn't half so sensitive as the carburetor of an automobile engine, yet you expect your car to chew up anything in the way of fuel that the garage man hands out—and convert it into mileage."

"But I thought all gasoline was alike."

"Not by a long shot. A good many people think so, I know. That's what makes carburetor adjustments, carbonized cylinders, and trouble generally."

"But how am I to tell when I'm getting good fuel? Look for a pure food label on the can?"

"No, look for the SOCONY sign on the garage or supply station. Ask for SOCONY Motor Gasoline and you're sure not only of good gasoline, but the same gasoline, whenever and wherever you buy it."

"SOCONY Motor Gasoline. Isn't that—?"

"Right. It's Standard gasoline—the same 'Standard Gasoline' that careful motorists have always insisted upon."

**STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF NEW YORK
BRIDGEPORT**

EASTON

Miss Hazel E. Sherwood has returned from a several days visit with her cousin Miss Alice Nichols in Greenwich.

Miss Florence Standish and sister Lois Standish of Hartford are spending a few days as guests of their mother Mrs. Florence Standish.

Rev. Judson and Mrs. Conklin of Trenton, N. J., having spent three weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward D. Ginneth at Adams Corners have returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hubbell and daughter, Miss Arline Hubbell, are spending two weeks at "Sea Shell" cottage, Bridgeport, Conn.

Several here have received cards from Rev. F. S. Clark, who is spending his vacation in Massachusetts and Maine.

MONROE

Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Curtiss and daughter, Miss Edith N. Curtiss, and Raphael Lucas have returned from a very pleasant motor trip to New Hampshire. They called on former pastor Rev. F. A. Saloom, who resides in Sandbornton, N. H., and found his wife critically ill.

Mrs. Clarence Burr is entertaining house, Miss Ida Adams.

Miss Sadie Burr is entertaining the Misses Constance and Lenore Healey of New Haven and Miss Helen Campbell of Derby, and they were given a surprise party recently by eight young people of East Village.

David Willis had the misfortune to lose his horse last week. The Monroe Civic Club will hold its annual banquet on the church lawn on Labor Day, Sept. 6.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Osborn announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Alice, to Edgar William Cook of Springfield, Mass.

Friday afternoon and evening, Aug. 20, the lawn of the Methodist church will put on a festive appearance in honor of its first garden party. From 5 until 8 supper will be served under the trees for 25 cents. The old fashioned well will produce lemonade, while near at hand you will find a flourishing patch of cabbage, provided over by Mrs. Wiggs. An old-fashioned store will provide the necessities while ice cream and candy hoots will furnish the sweets. The Children's Thimble club will have an attractive stand, where all kinds of fancy articles will be for sale. Many interesting novelties will be introduced. If stormy, the party will be given Saturday afternoon and evening.

The date of the annual picnic of the East Village Methodist and Congregational churches has been changed to Sept. 2. Stevenson and Great Hill have also been invited to attend the picnic.

All roads lead to Benjamin S. Hurd's on the evening of Sept. 3. Original, attractive, unique church fair.

Miss Helen Wells was taken to the Griffin hospital, Derby, last week for treatment.

Noble Atwood, after a visit with his aunt in Mount Carmel, has returned to the home of his aunt, Mrs. Edward L. Hurd.

FEW TOURISTS IN SWITZERLAND

Geneva, Switzerland, Aug. 19.—The completeness of the decline in foreign travel in Switzerland owing to the war is indicated by the figures for foreign automobiles crossing the border. Last season the number was over 3,500. This year it was only 150.

NOTICE LAUNDRY WORKERS MASS MEETING TONIGHT 8 O'CLOCK

Park Theatre Bldg., Main St.
Business: To draw up written agreement, same as signed by Crawford Laundry, which will insure all Laundry Workers a permanent eight hour day, time and half for overtime, and an increase in wages; also a shop committee that will enforce the above conditions. Signed: LAUNDRY WORKERS' INTERNATIONAL UNION



Sorry, but we can't help it. If you had taken out that policy we wanted you to, you wouldn't have a loss. The fire might have destroyed as much, but "NOT A CENT OF LOSS" is what you could have said as you smilingly surveyed the debris. Don't lose money by fire when our policies make you safe.

The American Mortgage & Realty Co.

952 MAIN STREET
**LOTS
For Sale
In Fairfield**
Corner Benson Road and Fairfield Avenue. Prices Reasonable. Call Phone 5825.
E. F. TURNEY
687 WARREN STREET
Or See Owner on Premises
L-17-47

FOR SALE
Large Imported Rug. Old and in perfect condition
T. B. WARREN
29 Sanford Building

DR. J. W. GERBER
Physician and Surgeon
770 Washington Avenue
PHONE 2178
Hours: 8 to 10 a. m.; 6 to 10 p. m.

FINANCIAL

3 Per Cent. INTEREST ON Your Checking Account

We think this will appeal to you particularly in view of our experience of nearly fifty years in banking. We can assure you of safety, satisfactory conduct of your business, and courteous treatment.

Interest credited to accounts monthly.
We would like to tell you about our methods.
Call us on the 'phone or come in and see us.

T. L. WATSON & CO.
BANKERS
COR. MAIN AND JOHN STREETS
Established 1866

EVERY DAY OCCURRENCES

Every day newspapers report a list of fires and robberies.
Keep your valuables where they are safe by placing them in our Fire and Burglar Proof Vault.
Safe Deposit Boxes for rent.

JAMES STAPLES & CO.
BANKERS
182 STATE ST., Bridgeport, Conn.

The Ideal Vacation

2,000 MILES 8 DAYS

\$35.00

All Expenses Included

FOR PARTICULARS

S. Loewith & Co.
116 BANK STREET
TELEPHONE 3

Property Owners!

WE HAVE
100 TENANTS TO PLACE
IN RENTS FROM \$15 TO
\$25 PER MONTH.
PARTICULARS

ANDERSON & CO.
53 JOHN STREET

For Sale

Two-family house, six rooms on each floor, butler's pantry, all improvements, lot 50x200, near St. Vincent's Hospital.
Building lots, North End, from \$300 up; weekly payments.

WILLIAM T. MULLINS

Real Estate and Insurance
POLI THEATRE BUILDING
Main and Congress Sts.

The City National Bank
Savings Department Pays
4 Per Cent. Interest
Start Saving Now
107 WALL STREET

THE CONNECTICUT NATIONAL BANK

OF
BRIDGEPORT
Cor. Main and Wall Streets

Weakfish 5c lb.
Yellowfin 5c lb.

W. D. Cook & Son,
523 Water St.

Engraved
CARDS
AT

SOUTHWORTH'S
10 ARCADE

BAD BREATH

is very annoying and is generally caused by a disordered stomach. CERTILAX, "The Certified Laxative," gets at the cause and removes it. CERTILAX acts gently but firmly on the bowels and liver, stimulating them to natural action, clearing the blood and purifying the entire system. They do all and more than Calomel and other harsh cathartics do without any bad after effects. CERTILAX contains nothing of a harmful or habit forming nature; they are made after the favorite formula of a specialist of New York City and have been selected as the best by more than five hundred physicians in New York, who prescribe them regularly in their practice. For sale at all drug stores, or sent direct on receipt of price—10c, 25c, 50c. Curtis Chemical Co., 117 E. 34th St., New York.

Yesterday was the coldest Aug. 18 experienced in New York since 1881. The thermometer registered 55 degrees.

State of Connecticut

Treasury Department.

Taxes

on

Investments

Bridgeport lays taxes on all property owned by residents on September 1st, of each year. All residents of this City can pay a tax of four mills on the dollar on bonds, notes or other choses in action and exempt them from the much larger local tax, but this must be done BEFORE September 1st. Enquire of your banker or write to STATE TREASURER, at Hartford, about this.

A HEAVY PENALTY

is fixed for avoiding this tax by a law passed by the last General Assembly. A copy of the law will be mailed to any one writing for it. Money in Bank is taxable.

F. S. CHAMBERLAIN,
Treasurer.

MONUMENTS MAUSOLEUMS M. G. KEANE

Cor. Lumber St. & Housatonic Ave.
BRIDGEPORT, CONN.
Phone 1386-4 Phone 1386-4

MONUMENTS

ARTISTIC—LASTING
Plant operated by pneumatic cutting and polishing tools.
HUGHES & CHAPMAN
300 STRATFORD AVENUE
Phone Connection

**ROSES, VIOLETS
ORCHIDS
AT**

Hawkins FLORIST

Hawley, Wilmet & Reynolds
Undertakers and Embalmers
No. 188 State St., Bridgeport, Conn.
All calls, day or night, answered from office. George B. Hawley, 115 Washington Terrace, Bridgeport, Conn. 385 Clinton St.; John B. Reynolds, 402-404 State St.

M. J. GANNON
FUNERAL DIRECTOR
AND EMBALMER
1005 Broad St., near John St.
Phone 2498
Residence, 297 Vine St.
Phone 1369

Wm. Lieberum & Son
Embalmers and Undertakers
Office and Residence
681 MAIN STREET
Telephone Connection

ROURKE & BOUCHER
Undertakers
and Embalmers
1295 MAIN STREET. Tel. 1884
Calls Answered Day or Night

JOHN F. GALLAGHER
MARGARET L. GALLAGHER
Undertakers and Embalmers
Margaret L. Gallagher, only licensed, graduate woman embalmer and undertaker in the city capable of taking sad charges of funerals. Mortuary parlors, office and residence.
571 FAIRFIELD AV. Phone 1290

MULLINS Typewriter EXCHANGE

1280 Main St., Poli Building
Ground Floor

ALL MAKES OF TYPEWRITERS
For Sale, Rental, Exchange
SPECIAL RENTAL RATES TO
STUDENTS

Agents for CORONA—Standard Folding—TYPEWRITERS
Farmer Want Ads. One Cent a Word.